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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: U.S. Divisional Application of Serial No.: 09/756,292  
Application of Akira MATSUZAWA, Masato SHIMADA, and Tetsushi  
TAKAHASHI.  
INK-JET RECORDING HEAD, MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE  
SAME AND INK-JET RECORDING APPARATUS  
**Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref: Q79291

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/756,292 (Confirmation No. 5975) filed January 9, 2001 of Akira MATSUZAWA, Masato SHIMADA, and Tetsushi TAKAHASHI entitled INK-JET RECORDING HEAD, MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE SAME AND INK-JET RECORDING APPARATUS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims, abstract, drawings and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) (substitute for PTO Form 1449) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2853.

A Preliminary Amendment is submitted herewith.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-007651	January 17, 2000
Japan	2000-020245	January 28, 2000
Japan	2000-229343	July 28, 2000
Japan	2000-332557	October 31, 2000

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/756,292.



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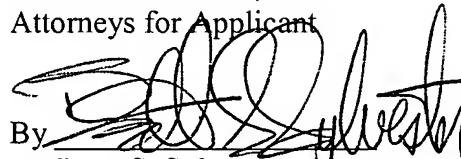
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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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